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That's pretty clear, and she (GMA) knows it, says JDV

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Pinoys among 8 charged in $80-M scam

5 plead guilty in scheme to defraud US Eximbank with fraudulent loans

WASHINGTON—THE US JUSTICE DEPARTMENT HAS CHARGED eight people, including two Filipinos, in connection with an $80 million scheme to defraud the US Export-Import Bank, federal prosecutors said Thursday.

Up to 40 years

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RESERVIST SERGEANT Manny Pacquiao ... with the troops at the Army headquarters in Fort Bonifacio.

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Comelec accredits PPCRV

THE COMMISSION on Elections (Comelec) has accredited the Parish Pastoral Council for Responsible Voting (PPCRV) as its citizens' arm for the Oct. 29 Barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan (SK) elections.

In a resolution, the Comelec en banc granted the PPCRV's Aug. 13 petition seeking accreditation.

The Comelec said that it has considered PPCRV's commendable participation in past electoral exercises as well as its commitment toward honest, clean, orderly, and peaceful elections, for its accreditation of the group.

It added, the PPCRV has also sufficiently complied with the Comelec's accreditation rules.

The Comelec said that the PPCRV will conduct poll watching and assist voters in various precincts, and assist the Comelec in providing voter's information and voters' education in municipalities, cities and provinces. *Beverly T. Natividad*

WHO lauds SC ruling on infant milk ads



By Beverly T. Natividad

DESPITE THE Supreme Court's recent lifting of the ban on infant milk formula advertisements, the World Health Organization (WHO) has lauded the high court's support of the Department of Health's power to regulate the marketing of breastmilk substitutes.

In a statement yesterday, WHO Philippines country representative Dr. Soe Nyunt-U said that overall, the high court's ruled decision on the Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations for the 1986 Milk Code is a "victory for the Philippine children."

On Thursday, the Unicef echoed the same sentiments in a statement saying it was "delighted" with the SC ruling. It said the decision signals an end to the unethical advertising claims of manufacturers of breastmilk substitutes which had successfully undermined efforts to promote breastfeeding.

Soe said that while the court struck down the section which absolutely prohibited infant formula milk ads, it will now work to the DOH's argument that it needed to regulate the marketing of breastmilk substitutes in order to improve the low breastfeeding rates in the country.

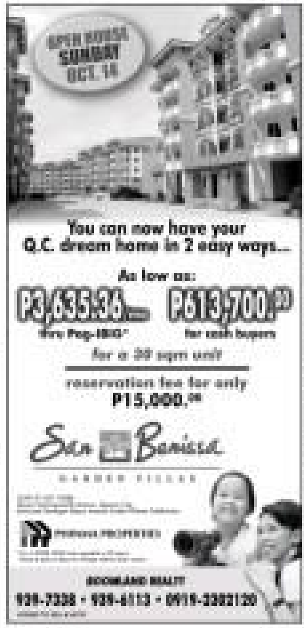
"While we hoped for a total ban on the marketing of breast milk substitutes, the SC nevertheless reaffirmed the DOH's power to regulate, screen and decide on the advertising and promotional materials of these products alongside an inter-agency committee," Soe said.

Soe said the WHO applauds the tribunal's wisdom in saying that the Milk Code should also protect and promote the nourishment of children older than 12 months, thus concluding that the Pharmaceutical Health Association of the Philippines (PHAP) was mistaken in claiming that the Milk Code's coverage is only limited to children below 12 months.

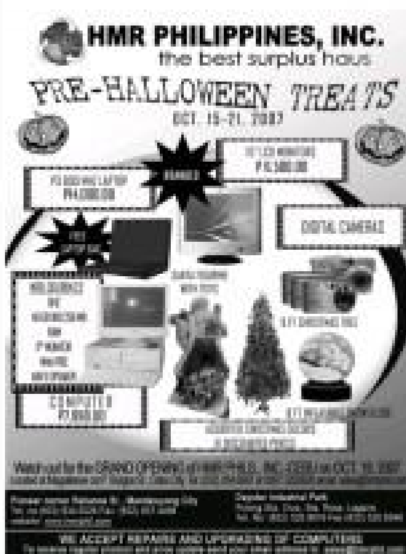
Soe also lauded the decision to uphold the DOH's recommendation to require new labels on the packaging of infant formula milk which should visibly state that the infant formula may contain pathogenic microorganisms.

Soe said the decision reaffirms the key direction of the National Infant and Young Child Feeding Policy inspired after the Global Strategy developed by the United Nations Children's Fund (Unicef) and the WHO.

"We are confident that this development will pave the way for an end to the misleading statements and false claims of milk companies that for many years have undermined breastfeeding efforts in the country," said Soe.

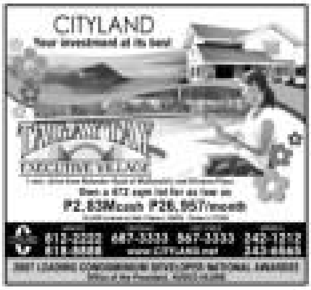






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He loved children

...And they loved him

A volunteer clown

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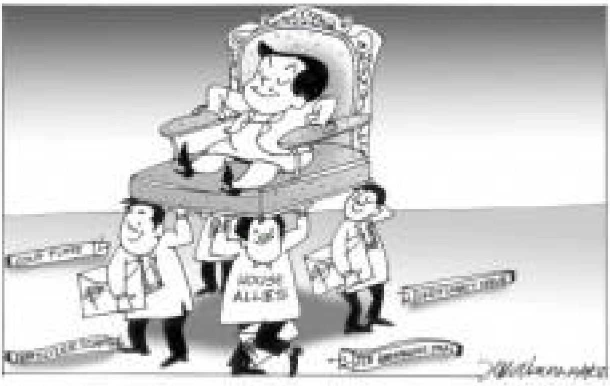
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SAN MIGUEL, BOHOL—THE P3.6 BILLION IRRIGATION project in Bohol, considered the most expensive irrigation facility in the country because of cost overruns reaching 52 percent, was inaugurated yesterday by no less than President Macapagal-Arroyo.

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106 years of fervor, and still burning

By [illegible]
Balangiga, Eastern Samar

WITH FERVOR AND PRIDE, THEY again paid tribute to their forebears who left behind a legacy of love for freedom.

People of the century-old coastal town of Balangiga in Eastern Samar commemorated the 106th anniversary of the victory of their forefathers against American invaders on Sept. 28, hoping anew that the historic Balangiga Bells taken as war booty by US soldiers will eventually be returned.

A festive mood pervaded the town as the historic event was marked, albeit with less pomp as before.

The reenactment of the 1901 Balangiga Encounter participated by hundreds of residents-turned-actors—the crowd drawer for several years—was "temporarily cancelled" for lack of funds, Mayor [illegible] said.

It was replaced by a dance drama of high school students.

Despite the scaled-down festivity, [illegible] said the occasion was still meant "to pay tribute to our great men and women who fought and died in asserting their precious freedom from foreign domination."

The Balangiga Encounter Day kept other activities of previous celebrations—the civic-military parade, thanksgiving Mass, wreath-laying ceremony and commemorative program. It remains a holiday in the province.



A DANCE drama depicting American soldiers taking away the church bells of Balangiga is presented during the 106th Balangiga Encounter Day commemorative program.

The attack

The dance drama showed what happened during those fateful days in Balangiga. It peaked with the depiction of the successful attack waged by bolo-wielding Samareños on the US garrison and capped by American soldiers taking away the church bells.

Historians recount that a church bell was rung early morning of Sept. 28, 1901, to signal the attack on the garrison of the US Army's Company C near the church and municipal hall.

Relations between the natives and the Americans had soured because of alleged abuses, including the enforcement of several curfews and forced labor.

A few days before the attack, [illegible], district leader of the Philippine Revolutionary Movement in Samar, secretly met with Capt. Valeriano Abanador, Balangiga police chief, and other revolutionary leaders to finalize their plan.

The revolutionaries were from Balangiga and nearby Lawaan, Giporlos and Quinapondan towns, which were then barrios of Balangiga.

On the eve of the attack, some guerrillas entered the church dressed as women, while others carried a coffin purportedly containing the remains of a cholera victim but actually concealed [illegible] bolos.

When Abanador raised his cane to signal the raid, the bells started ringing. Some 500 natives with [illegible] attacked the American soldiers, most of them having breakfast. Fifty of the 74 soldiers were killed while 22 were reported wounded. Others escaped by boat to nearby Basey town where another US detachment was located.

A handful of soldiers were able to get hold of their firearms and shoot dead some of the natives.

Howling wilderness

Some historians considered the event the "worst single defeat" of the US Army during the Philippine-American War.

In retaliation, the US Army sent Gen. Jake Smith to Samar. According to some accounts, he ordered his men to kill all Samareños aged 10 years old and above, burn houses, shoot working animals and raze crops, making Samar a "howling wilderness."

When the soldiers left, they took away, among others, the church bells as war trophies. Two of the bells are still mounted at the Fort Warren Air Force Base in Wyoming, while another is kept by the US Army in a warehouse in South Korea.

Many efforts have been made by local and national leaders for the return of the "Bells of Freedom" but to no avail.

The former bishop of the Diocese of Borongan, Leonardo Medroso, went to the United States a few years ago to seek the return of the bells, but veterans' groups in Wyoming were adamant in their decision not to send them back.

Medroso had even cited an order issued by Abraham Lincoln in 1863 that defined specific articles that should be respected and not taken as trophies of war, and these included church property.

"Nagsasalabla ni anat hingyap, ni anat nga maupay kaibalik la nga anat Balangiga Bells (Our hope, our dream that the Balangiga Bells will be returned still remains)," Eastern Samar Gov. Ben Evardone said in a message during the commemorative program on Sept. 28.

"We don't know when these will be returned. Many have already worked tirelessly for the bells' return because these are symbols to us but up to now these were not returned. If these are not returned yet, let us just not forget the reason why the event took place," Evardone said in Waray.

"The reason? It's simple—a struggle for our rights that was trampled upon during that time," he added.

Sen. Loren Legarda, the guest speaker, vowed to continue working for the return of the bells, citing Senate Resolution No. [illegible], which she recently filed, that urged the Philippine government "to exhaust all efforts to persuade the government of the United States to, as an act of goodwill and solidarity between these two nations, immediately return" the bells to Eastern Samar.

"While the church bells were taken in an atmosphere of divisiveness, perhaps hatred and revenge, what is essential is that we, the Filipino people, now strive for peace and reconciliation," she said.

[illegible], a legal researcher assigned to the regional trial court in Balangiga, a former college professor and whose great grandfather was one of those who died in that historic battle, said he saw it in his clan forebears to continue the efforts to reclaim the bells.

[illegible] of the Balangiga Tourism and Information Office stressed the need to continue remembering the event, if only "to remind the younger generation this is the best legacy of our forebears."

[illegible] is a descendant of Vicente [illegible], the man who rang the bell that preceded the attack.

The belfry of the renovated church still shows that one of its four windows is still vacant, signifying a space reserved for at least one of the original bells.

But a replica could be seen at the belfry in the [illegible] Balangiga Encounter Monument that was sculpted by national artist Napoleon Abueva. The monument depicts local revolutionaries who are about to attack, with Captain Abanador raising his cane to signal the raid and the ringing of the bells.

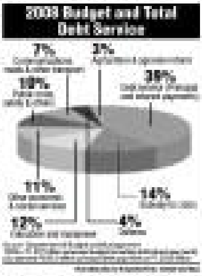


THE RENOVATED Balangiga Church and its belfry, which has one window vacant apparently to give space to any of the lost historic bells.

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UNCOLLECTED garbage left on a street in Mandaluyong City remains days after dump trucks stopped picking up trash from houses and establishments.

New Rodriguez landfill opens

Mayors fear relief temporary

By DJ Yap, Kristine L. Alave, Julie M. Aurelio and Nancy C. Carvajal

A GARBAGE CRISIS IN METRO Manila has been averted.

Rizal Gov. Casimiro Ynares III and Rodriguez Mayor Pedro Cuerpo have settled their differences and allowed the opening of the town's sanitary landfill to Metro Manila, Metropolitan Manila Development Authority chair Bayani Fernando said yesterday.

The two apparently reached an agreement during a meeting with Fernando Thursday evening, but the MMDA chair did not disclose the terms or conditions of the verbal agreement.

Despite the truce between Ynares and Cuerpo, some Metro Manila mayors said it did not allay their fears of a garbage crisis.

Fernando said it would be up to the local government to decide which dump to use: the 14-hectare landfill that Ynares said was already full, or the adjacent 19-hectare facility that had yet to get proper permits.

Responding to criticism that the MMDA could not provide a permanent solution to Metro Manila's garbage woes, Fernando said such problems were only natural.

"There can be no permanent solution to the garbage problem because landfills also have periods of life and death," he said.

The important thing, he said, was to ensure that alternative sites were available every time a landfill shut down.

As this developed, Navotas Mayor Toby Tiangco said he would allow garbage from Makati and San Juan to be dumped in the city's landfill but under certain conditions.

Fernando downplayed the impact of the standoff between Cuerpo and Ynares that led to the garbage pileup in some cities like Makati, Caloocan and Mandaluyong.

He said only Makati had difficulty finding a landfill for its garbage.

Earlier this week, Ynares closed down the 14-ha landfill in Rodriguez, saying it was already full and directed that garbage be brought to the adjacent site.

Cuerpo complied with Ynares' order to close the smaller landfill but said he would not allow dump trucks into the new site because it lacked the necessary permits from his office.

The old landfill was used by Metro Manila's 16 cities and one municipality. With its closure Ynares said the new landfill was exclusively for Rizal's use.

While the Rizal local officials were feuding, Metro Manila local governments, except for Quezon City that operates the Payatas dump, had to make separate arrangements with landfill operators.

Metro Manila mayors appealed to Ynares and Cuerpo to solve the dispute permanently and swiftly.

"It's not yet over," Mandaluyong City Mayor Benhur Abalos said in a phone interview. "Some technicalities needed to be threshed

'Bribe' story nothing new

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US Marines inquiry to examine special ops shooting of civilians in Afghanistan



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UN Council slams Burma crackdown

UNITED NATIONS—THE UN SECURITY COUNCIL THURSDAY slammed the military crackdown in Burma (also known as Myanmar), called for the release of political prisoners and urged dialogue with the opposition icon Aung San Suu Kyi.



YOUNG monks walk in downtown Rangoon, Burma, on Oct. 12.

UK's Doris Lessing wins 2007 Nobel Literature Prize



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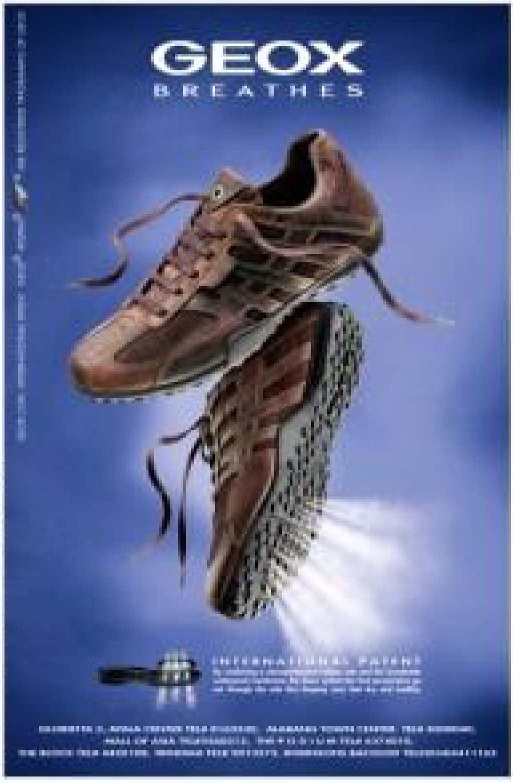
Cebu to roll out red carpet for Pacquiao



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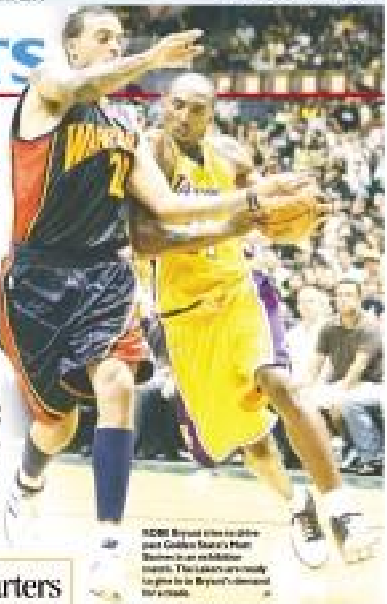
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BUSINESS

Editor Raul D. Marcelo • Assistant Editor Cherie S. Marteña

S&P sees RP sustaining robust growth

7% GDP expansion this year, 6.5-7% in '08

US-BASED CREDIT-RATING watchdog Standard & Poor's expects the Philippine economy to expand by 7 percent this year and sustain a robust growth of 6.5-7 percent next year after a strong performance in the first semester.

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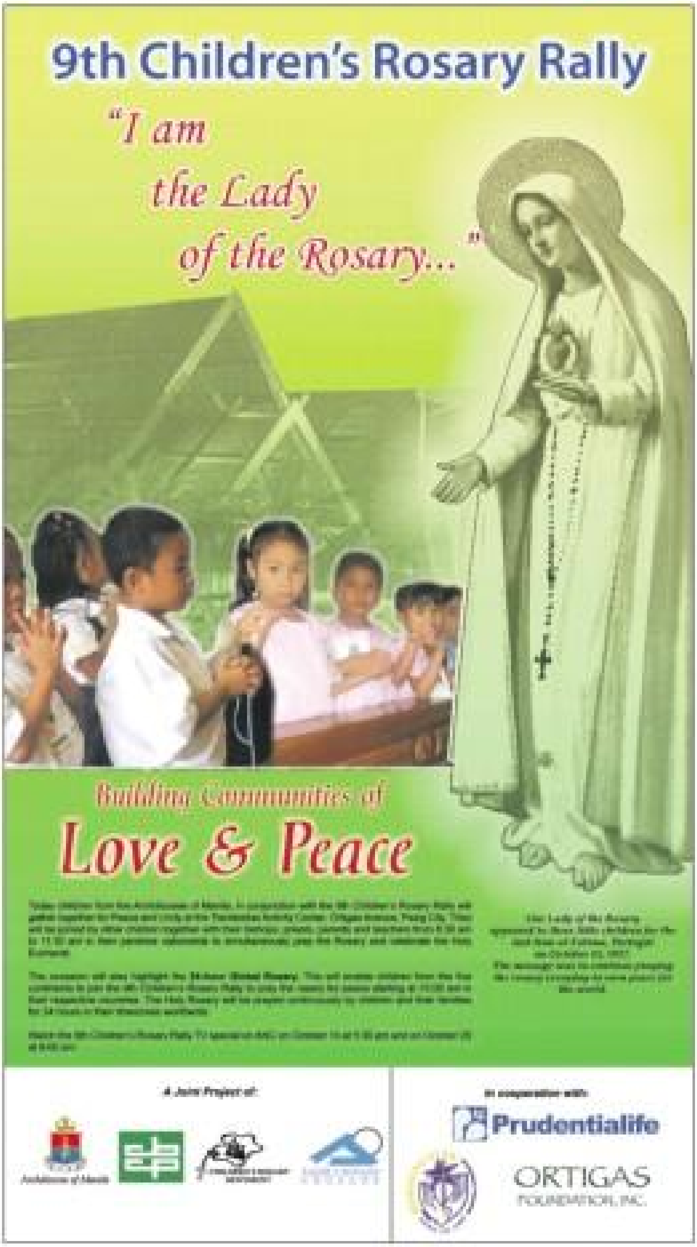
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Editor: Cesar D. Mangawang

P1.8-B hotel to corner Alabang's 90 percent occupancy rate

Five million foreign visitors are projected by 2010 and balikbayans prefer a less congested area versus the hassles of staying in Manila, Makati and Ortigas

By [illegible]

CITING TOURISM AND retirement industries as expanding exponentially in the Muntinlupa area, and the upscale Alabang's demand of up to 100 percent occupancy rate as per Department of Tourism data, developer Corporate Holdings Management Hotels and Residences Inc. has decided to venture on the hotel industry.

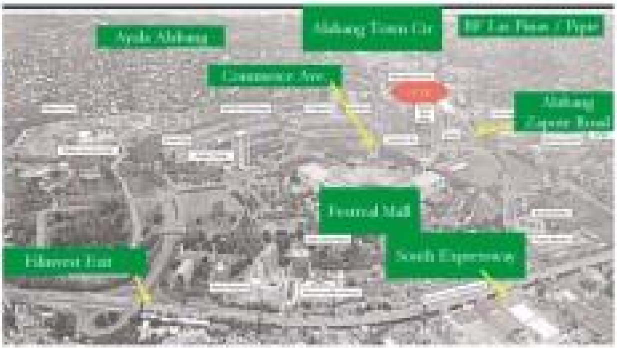
CHMI Chair [illegible] Gonzales said tourism and retirement industries have been on the upswing, and the global market indicates that it would continue to improve. "Thus, this is the best time for a hotel project," he stressed.

Hotel occupancy

"The main problem today is capacity," said Gonzales, who is also a Philippine Retirement Authority director and a former Subdivision and Housing Developers Association president.

Gonzales cited that the current average hotel occupancy rate in Metro Manila is [illegible] percent. Bellevue Manila located in Alabang has an occupancy rate of [illegible] percent.

Gonzales also cited the five million projected foreign visitors by 2010 and balikbayans who prefer a less congested area versus the hassles of staying in Manila, Makati and Ortigas.



THE SITE of the P1.8-billion hotel in Alabang



Target market

He said the target market also includes expats of the 1,000 multinational companies in Gateway, [illegible] Business Park and in Filinvest Corporate City.

He also cited retirees and balikbayans of the [illegible] households living in nearby exclusive subdivisions, and "the golfing aficionados due to the proximity to world class golf courses."

Citing Alabang as experiencing up to 100 percent occupancy rates, he said that within Filinvest Corporate City, the [illegible]-room hotel with a target opening in the first quarter of 2011, would be located on Commerce Avenue, which he described as "the Ayala Avenue of Alabang."

"Filinvest Alabang is the best place for a hotel right now," Gonzales said that currently, only one hotel in Alabang has [illegible] rooms (Bellevue) and two other high-rise buildings that were originally conceived and configured as condominiums [illegible] partially converted to hotels.

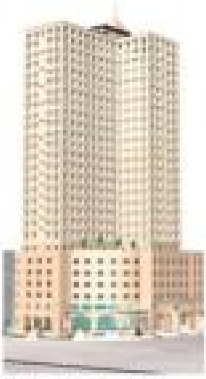
5-star hotel

CHMI will be built as a 5-star hotel. Gonzales said he would be bringing "Shangri-la and Peninsula to Alabang at a room rate of $100 without sacrificing the quality of service, the rooms and the ambience."

A ballroom will be built to accommodate up to 1,000 guests and a function room for up to 500 attendees. [illegible] spa (Gonzales owns the former [illegible] Spa in Makati). Fine dining restaurants and bars will offer 360-degree views of Laguna de Bay, Manila Bay, Makati Skyline, Filinvest Corporate City and Ayala Alabang.

Gonzales' long-term vision is to put up a Filipino hotel chain in Cebu, Davao, Bohol, Manila-Makati area and Vietnam.

Property management: a growing business in RP





By Charles E. Buban

ANY RESIDENTIAL property must be taken care of both from the physical (maintenance and upgrade of the place) and tenant-relations standpoint.

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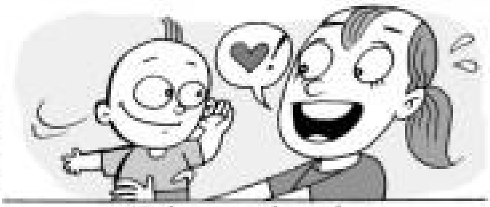
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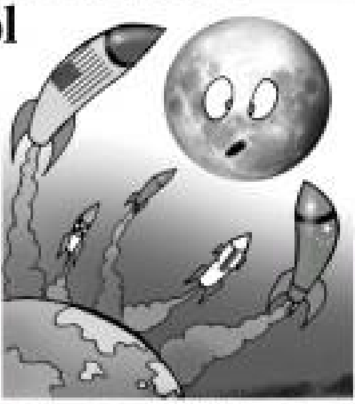
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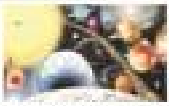
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DBS surgery in RP







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Tariff on oil products to be reduced when fuel prices reach critical levels

By Abigail L. Ho

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Megaworld sinks P1.5B in Iloilo venture

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DA unit scours Negros for coco plantations

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This week Super means: >> Stardust - Universal - Pelicula - Exam - Ramadan

TRIP WITH SUPER



Eat my stardust

Globetrotting with 'Lastikman'

Style without borders

Dwomo Arigato

FLY WITH SUPER >>





FREQUENT FLYER FILMS

Stardust gets in your eyes

'ARE WE HUMAN BECAUSE WE look at the stars, or do we look at the stars because we are human?'

OUT THE WINDOW

Tals Diaz

A star falls, and a lovesick chap crosses the line

Star, not so bright

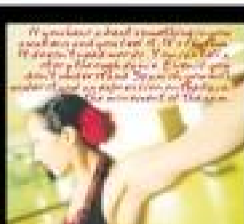
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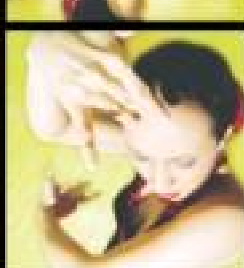
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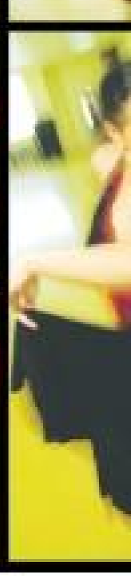
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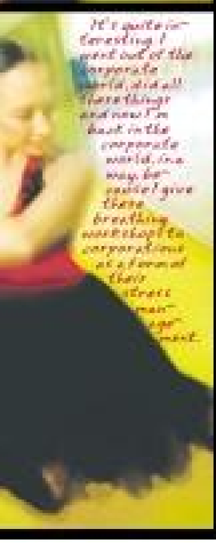


Mind the gap

Remembering the December Boys

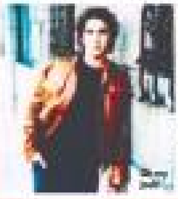






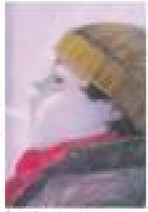
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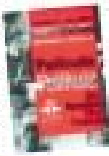
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Pink lady







The beauty of it

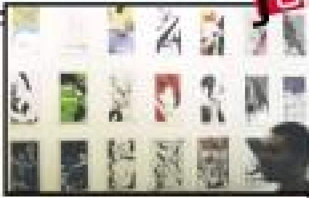


Daubing the walls of the world with graffiti, Stormie Mills thinks it's more important to raise emotional stakes than impress with color, color, color



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The beauty of it







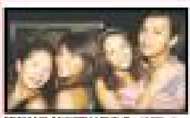




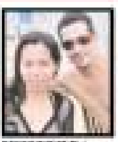


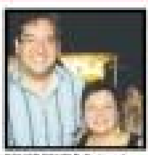


STORMIE SHATTERS STREETSCAPE STEREOTYPES





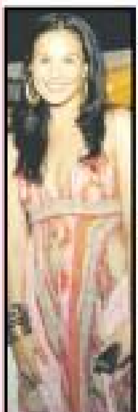






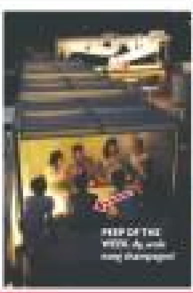
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Hi, Tides!

















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Breaking the mold. Spanish indie rock group Dwomo brings their special brand of music to Manila this October

Dwomo Stirs it Up

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Haute culture



Beauty, or beautiful things, does not belong solely to any one culture or race

By [illegible]

ANY FAN OF TELEVISION pop culture knows that when the girls that are still in the running to be America's Next Top Model are down to 6 they are suddenly uprooted and are brought to some exotic foreign land.

The competition has been everywhere from Thailand to South Africa, London to Beijing, Bangkok to Barcelona and then some. Paris and Milan will always be a fashion Mecca but New York, London, Barcelona, Shanghai, Tokyo and even Singapore can stand on their own and serve as proof that in every part of the globe, fashion is serious business.

While our own local brands like Bench have begun to open in different countries abroad, foreign brands have made their way here and have managed to become style mainstreams. This is no different in any other country.

Before the year ends, we will come to witness the arrival of Ambre in Manila. Ambre is Cambodian designer Romyda Keth's shop. Sophisticated and elegant, Romyda's designs approaches fashion with a global perspective. Romyda studied in Paris and this has come into her work. "I suppose a lot of the permanent influence comes from the fact that Paris is a great hub of international trends therefore my creative style tends to reflect this cosmopolitan lifestyle," she says. She explains that she aims to be "cosmopolitan and therefore reach out to different sorts of cultures. Some of the themes you will find in the present collection are drawn from Japanese, African as well as European influences."

Global designs

Culture never needed a visa to travel. It just has to catch the eye of someone who commands attention and it will spread. The Japanese trend came about when pop culture heroes like Quentin Tarantino emblazoned Gogo Yubari in "Kill Bill," Gwen Stefani sang about Harajuku girls and even Madonna wore a kimono for her video of "Nothing Really Matters." Punctuated

HAUTE/ E3



AMBRE is the color of your energy

All clothes by ROMYDA KETH AMBRE
Photography by [illegible]
and [illegible]
Makeup by [illegible]
Hair by [illegible] of Salon Privé
Modeled by CHARMAINE DE GUZMAN
Shot in Phnom Penh, Cambodia
Concept by [illegible] of Mirage Gallery

Where to Stop Where to Go



Brand new taste at Polo Bistro

Astoria Plaza's Halloopalooza



Sushiya's Two for 1 promo





A new taste adventure awaits you at Taco Bell

ASB Condotels staff participates in Caliraya Re-Creation Center's teambuilding program

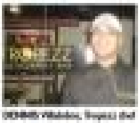
Waterfront launches new look on the Internet

North Park Greenhills moves to new location

Starbucks gives green tea a modern twist



Great food at Trepezz



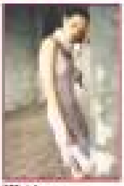
More than a child's b-day party at Tony Roma's

A family oriented Halloween at The Renaissance





Haute culture







POSE, girl, pose

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by the influx that worships tomo and Hayao Miyazaki being nominated and winning Academy Awards for his full length animated features, Japan will always be blamed for women wearing short-short skirts or skimpy sailor outfits. Culture is a frequent flyer that never stays too long and sometimes arrives without warning.

"I do not think that my work is specifically representative of any culture, be it Cambodian or other," Romyda expounds. "However there are specific styles that I frequently like to explore again and again like the embroideries and subtle designs of Asian style, the exuberance and gaiety of the Spanish/Latin, the sophistication and timeless elegance of the Europeans as well as the vitality and creativity of the African." For her latest collection, Romyda had a fashion shoot in her homeland where she has resettled since the early 90s. The juxtaposition of her designs' global role and clash of trends with an old mansion serving as a location, children with ballet bobs and tote up sites like Khmer Rouge, somehow makes the statement that beauty, or beautiful things, does not belong solely to any one culture or race.

Breaking boundaries

Ambre is present in Paris, Singapore, Tokyo, Ho Chi Minh City and soon, Manila. There is no question that Romyda's collections are glamorous and stylish and most importantly for any designer selling in more than two continents, Romyda's designs are accessible. It joins the East and the West seamlessly, a growing quality of the contemporary that has become quite admirable. This idea that we are slowly becoming more and more open, that we are slowly breaking boundaries and celebrating not just nationalities but being one people.

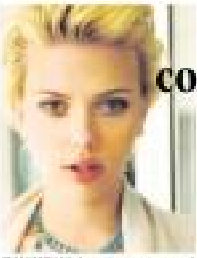
Stand Up! Speak Out!

THE WORLD will be celebrating Stand Up & Speak Out on Oct. 17 to help eradicate poverty, injustice, and inequality and to demand that the governments keep the promises they have made to their people. 189 country heads committed in September 2000 at the Millennium Summit to work together and build a safer, more prosperous and equitable world for all by 2015. To participate in Stand Up & Speak Out, take 2 minutes to recite the pledge at any time or place on the 17th of October and to record the numbers as it is to be counted with the rest of the world. To buy Stand Up & Speak Out materials and a copy of the pledge, and for more information on how to take part in this world wide call for action, e-mail the Projects Department, International Center, or visit the website at www.standagainstpoverty.org.

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Wholesome, hard-working comers top 'hottest stars' survey



JOHANSSON: Work experience over sex appeal.



EFRON: Clean living pays off.

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HOW TO PLAY SUDOKU

For Pete Roa's sake



The CompanY in big band concert tonight

AT THE CINEMAS

AT THE MALLS

DiCaprio's riveting docu calls for immediate action



DiCAPRIO. Narrates and produces "The 11th Hour."

Issues

Resource speakers



NOW SHOWING

De Niro, Pfeiffer spark cinematic magic in romantic fantasy

"Stardust"

D: Matthew Vaughn

S: Claire Danes, Charlie Cox

Learning from bees

LOTUS POND

R. Valencia and S. Bismark

Wholesome...

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BARTON. Her star's on the rise.

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Duvall calls Joaquin 'Wacko Phoenix'



ONLY IN HOLLYWOOD



Ruben V. Nepales

Restless energy

Dream

Heartbreak

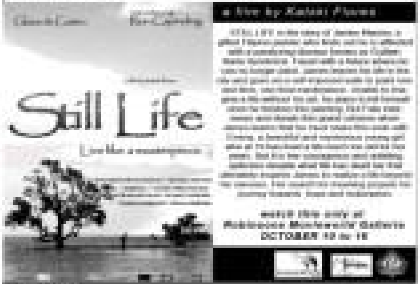
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6 I NOW PRONOUNCE YOU CHUCK & LARRY
7 WEDDING DAZE
8 indieBine: STILL LIFE
9 ROGUE ASSASSIN
10 KUNG FU FIGHTER



ERMITA

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1 STARDUST
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PIONEER

1 KUNG FU FIGHTER
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3 APAT DAPAT, DAPAT APAT
4 RESIDENT EVIL 3

STA. ROSA

1 STARDUST
2 DECEMBER BOYS
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LIPA

1 ROGUE ASSASSIN
2 APAT DAPAT, DAPAT APAT
3 I'VE FALLEN FOR YOU
4 I NOW PRONOUNCE YOU CHUCK & LARRY

DASMARIÑAS

1 DECEMBER BOYS
2 RESIDENT EVIL 3
3 STARDUST
4 APAT DAPAT, DAPAT APAT

IMUS

1 STARDUST
2 I KNOW WHO KILLED ME
3 RESIDENT EVIL 3
4 APAT DAPAT, DAPAT APAT

ANGELES

1 NO RESERVATIONS
2 APAT DAPAT, DAPAT APAT
3 SIGNOS
4 SHOOT 'EM UP

TARLAC

1 I'VE FALLEN FOR YOU
2 DON'T LOOK BACK
3 SHOOT 'EM UP

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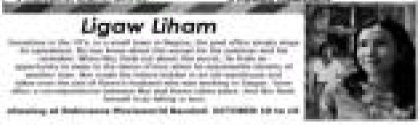
1 I KNOW WHO KILLED ME
2 THE HOST
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5 NO RESERVATIONS
6 SHOOT 'EM UP

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1 DAYWATCH
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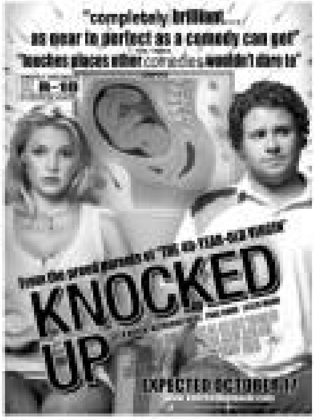
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Duvall calls Joaquin . . .


DUVALL: Played Phoenix's father in "We Own the Night."











Admiration

On the set

Terrified


JOHNSON (LEFT): Meets his greatest match in "The Game Plan."

Diverse viewing...


ROGEN: Is third time the charm for this fun new star?

Lessons learned from 'Desperate Housewives' slur

By Nestor U. Torre

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TERI Hatcher's TV show got much more than it bargained for.

Protests

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Happy outcome

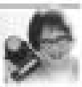
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Major concern

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Throat relief

STREET SMART



Mandy Navasero

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Healthy body

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Stanley Donen's oeuvre fused music and fashion



DONEN: Frequently collaborated with Gene Kelly.

Innovation

Critical acclaim

PBO . . .

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'The APO Collection'

'Naked for Rent'

'Kid Nation'

Mossimo's weekend sale

Alchemy in Wonderland

At Metropolis Star Alabang

'Small Intensions'

'Conviction'

PBO screens 'Siquijor: Mystic Island'

'The Wayside School' on Nickelodeon

Big Christmas sale at Mano Mano

'Children's Letters to God'



CHAN: Sings at SM-Makati to promote new album.

Jose Mari Chan

'Simply Irresistible'

Movies on TV

Wacky October at Sta. Lucia

'Space Mysteries: Comets'

'Ako Pooh si K'

New projects vivify celebs' artistic passion




BERSOLA-BABAO: Adroit storyteller


WILLIAMS: Theater for the community

Trajectory

Challenges

Choreographer

Diverse viewing options for film lovers



Quest

PBO screens 'Siquijor: Mystic Island"

MONTAGE


VENERACION: Stars in spine-tingling horror flick.

'Power to Unite with Elvira'

'Wackier Love Radio's new DJs